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Applicant INCRO LIMITED		

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1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

- b. ☐ With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box II).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (see Box III).

4. With regard to the title,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

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6. With regards to the drawings,

- a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 1

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- b. ☐ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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Box No. IV Text of the abstract (Continuation of item 5 of the first sheet)

A nozzle arrangement comprises a body (10) of two parts (11), (12) which define between them a fluid passage (15), leading to a discharge outlet (25), from a feed passage (17). The passageway contains a chamber (19) wherein is located a flap member (20) which can be displaced by increased pressure of fluid flow in the passageway to variably obstruct an outlet orifice (21). This may be achieved by the cooperation of holes or notches in the displaceable flap member and corresponding apertures or notches in a fixed member.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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